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NEWSLETTER

STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION
South Avenue and Middlesex, Missoula, Montana 59801

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WE'LL BE CALLING YOU! The State Library Commission has subscribed to the State Telecommunications System which consists of a government network of leased long distance circuits. This system of direct distance dialing enables this Library to answer you by telephone instead of mail when urgent problems or questions arise which require clarification and haste.

MISSING MLA COMMITTEE MEMBER: Please add Mrs. Robert (Inez) Herrig's name to the list of committee members for the Library Development Committee, as it was inadvertently omitted.

ON YOUR TOES, GET SET to be ready for National Children's BOOK WEEK, November 10-16, 1963 by sending for the 1963 order form describing the poster, bookmarks, seals, streamers, mobiles and kits available for purchase. Write to: The Children's Book Council, 175 Fifth Avenue, New York 10. A great balloon decorated with the gay slogan, "Three Cheers for Books!" heralds the news.

WHO'S WHO IN MONTANA LIBRARIES: The following changes have transpired this summer throughout the state:

Mrs. Dan Wirtzberger is now Librarian of the City County Library in Glasgow as of July 1, 1963
Mrs. J. K. Flightner will replace Mrs. Kay Hammond as Librarian of the city of Hamilton as of October 1, 1963. Mrs. Hammond is moving to California after many years of diligent service.
Miss Ann Sloan succeeds Mrs. Mildred Holland as Librarian of the Big Horn County Library at Hardin. Mrs. Helen Dreidlein has been appointed Librarian at the Meagher County Library in White Sulphur Springs. She succeeds Mrs. Martha Dunkel who will take a position as Librarian at the Elementary School. Mrs. Dreidlein has been Mrs. Dunkel's assistant since 1957.
Mrs. Delbert Yardley is now Librarian at the Philipsburg Free Library.
Plentywood has a Library Advisory Board which meets the 3rd Monday of each month. Members are: Mrs. Maynard Johnson, Chairman, Clair Johnson, Mrs. Kenneth Collins, Jr., Mrs. David Herrick and Reverend Merton Peterson.

A welcome to each new librarian and best wishes to those retiring!

BRITANNICA SCHOOL LIBRARY AWARDS For the second year Encyclopaedia Britannica will make cash awards totalling over $5,000 to three school library systems during 1964. The awards are made with the advisory assistance of the American Association of School Libraries. First prize is $2500; second is $1500; and third is $1000. The cash gifts are to be used for the purchase of books and the winners will be announced during National Library Week, April 12-18, 1964. The purpose of the awards is: 1-to highlight the importance of good elementary school libraries to quality education 2-to encourage citizen planning for their development. Montana school librarians may obtain application forms from: Mrs. Richard Stevens, Chairman, Montana School Library Assn., 2408 2nd Avenue North, Great Falls.

THE COMPLETE SET of the "Small Libraries Project" pamphlets, along with supplements, are now available for $8.50 when ordered and billed as one unit from ALA. "How to conduct a tax campaign or to pass a bond issue" and "School-housed public library" can also be ordered from the ALA Publications Department.

PEACE CORPS LITERATURE is available without cost from Charles C. Woodard Jr., Associate Director, Peace Corps, Washington 25, D. C. Of special interest is the brochure "Librarians and the Peace Corps" which offers excellent suggestions on ways in which librarians can help.

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MARYWOOD COLLEGE

ARE YOU READY FOR A E W ? American Education Week, November 10-16, offers school librarians a fine opportunity to make a lasting contribution to the educational climate in your school. Materials are available from: American Education Week, NEA, 1201 Sixteenth Street N. W., Washington D. C. 20036.

STATE FILM LIBRARY, HELENA The new Directory of 16mm Sound Films for 1963 is available from the State Department of Public Instruction, and the price is $5.50. This is a first attempt at categorizing the films with descriptive listings by subject.

DOROTHY JOHNSON'S LATEST is a fine new juvenile "Famous Lawmen of the Old West," Dodd, $3.00. Every Montana library will want to purchase this very readable and well authenticated book about the stalwarts who fought for law and order. Miss Johnson is a pastmaster in bringing the frontier west to believable reality.

CUSTER COUNTRY by Ralph E. Scudder, former Montanan from Glendive, may be purchased from the author at 632 West Pilger, Roseburg, Oregon for $3.00. This new account of the famous battle contains graphic aerial photographs.

QUEST FOR ORE by Russell H. Bennett (father of Helen Bennett West of Cut Bank) is a fascinating chronicle written in non-technical language of the exploration and development of new mines throughout the West, Canada, Mexico, Chile and even far off New Guinea. Another famous engineer, Herbert Hoover, writes the introduction. Available from: T. S. Denison & Company, Inc., 321 5th Avenue South, Minneapolis, 15, Minnesota, $5.95.

THE BOOKS WE READ THIS SUMMER, WE'LL REMEMBER... a number of Montana libraries have featured summer reading programs for children of all ages. Bozeman, Cascade, Columbus, Conrad, Culbertson, Forsyth, Great Falls, Livingston, Plains and many other areas encouraged this worthwhile summer pastime. In Livingston the summer reading contest was called "Under the Big Top with Reading," and a book was given each month to the child who won.

THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S "CONFERENCE WITHIN A CONFERENCE" in Chicago, July 15-19, 1963, was well represented with Montana librarians. Attending were: Miss Kathleen Campbell, Librarian, Montana State University; Mrs. Ruth O. Longworth, Librarian of the State Library Commission, Missoula; Douglas Mills, Montana State University Library; Mrs. Alma S. Jacobs, Librarian of the Great Falls Public Library; Natalie Sliepcevich, Montana Library Association President and Librarian at Anaconda; Mrs. Geneva Van Horne, Assistant Professor, School of Education, Montana State University.

MONTANA WAS WELL REPRESENTED AT THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S 53rd annual conference in Yakima, Washington, August 28-30th. The theme was "Learning is for Everyone" and such topics as Adult Education, Regional Library Development, National Library Week were studied. Mrs. Weldon Lynch, President of ALTA, directed the first institute for Library trustees - a first step in organizing a Division of Trustees for PNLA.

COMMON SCENTS "A New York publisher of paperbacks is impregnating the covers with perfume during the printing process - saddle leather for westerns, floral for gardening, baking aromas for cookbooks. It is said that the bouquet will linger for months." - News item.

"There is no attar like a book
To take us lands away
Nor any incense like a page
Of poignant poetry.
This traverse may the poorest take
Without undue expense;
How frugal is my library
With only common scents!"

J. E. Parsons
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